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SIGNAL CONTROLS TRAFFIC IN BRIDGE WORK ZONE

Hiawassee, Ga. – Georgia DOT announces major traffic change next week in Hiawassee.

What: A traffic signal will direct traffic across the Bridge over the Hiawassee River, one lane at a time

Where: State Route 17/75 Bridge over the Hiawassee River 3.6 miles south of Hiawassee.

When: Signal controlling traffic is scheduled to begin Thursday, January 14, 2016 and continue through May, 2016

Why: The traffic signal regulating traffic allows to demolish the original bridge and finish building the new bridge.

Talley Construction Company will complete replacing the bridge over the Hiawassee River by the contract completion date of June 30, 2016 costing \$5.1 million.

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